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AIRPORTS IN MADHYA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the airports which are being upgraded in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether the airports of Indore, Bhopal, Gwalior, Jabalpur and Khajuraho are proposed to be upgraded as international level airports by extending their runway and providing them more facilities;

(c) if so, the details alongwith the outline of the action plan; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) & (b) Airports Authority of India (AAI) is developing and upgrading the facitiltes at Indore , Bhopal and Khajuraho airports, which would be comparable to International standards.

Gwalior airport belongs to defence and renovation of its terminal building is to be undertaken in co-ordination with Defence authorities.

At Jabalpur, there is a proposal for undertaking extension of runway, night landing and other related works.

c) & (d) Details of projects undertaken are as under: Khajuraho-

(i) Extension of runway upto 7500 ft. and strengthening of its entire length has been completed.

(ii) Construction of a new terminal building to cater to 500 passengers is scheduled for completion by November, 2008.

(iii) construction of apron to park 5 aircrafts, isolation bay, link taxiway and other allied works are scheduled for completion by March, 2008.

Bhopal- Extension of runway to 2745 m and strengthening of its entire length, construction of a new integrated terminal building to cater to 500 domestic and 200 international passengers are scheduled for completion by May, 2009.

Indore- Extension of runway to 2750 m and strengthening of its entire length, construction of a new apron including isolation bay, construction of an integrated terminal building to cater to 500 domestic and 200 international passengers are scheduled for completion by April, 2009.